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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR EBERLE' S VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA

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SUMMARY: AMBASSADOR EBERLE' S VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA AS GUEST  
OF GOY WAS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL AND MADE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION  
TO OVER- ALL US POLICY OBJECTIVES HERE. END SUMMARY.

1. AMBASSADOR EBERLE VISITED YUGOSLAVIA JUNE 9-12 AS GUEST OF  
YUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT FOR TALKS ON SUBJECTS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.  
EBERLE SPENT JUNE 10 IN DUBROVNIK WHERE HE WARMLY AND CORDIALLY  
RECEIVED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DUBROVNIK CITY ASSEMBLY. VICE  
PRESIDENT ANTON VRATUSA, WHO WAS EBERLE' S HOST, TOOK THE UNUSUAL  
STEP OF GOING TO DUBROVNIK ON JUNE 10 FOR LUNCH AND FOUR HOURS OF  
PRELIMINARY TALKS WITH EBERLE ON THE WIDE RANGE ECONOMIC AND  
TRADE ISSUES.

2. PROGRAM IN BELGRADE JUNE 11-12 INCLUDED MEETINGS WITH VICE  
PRESIDENT SIROTKOVIC; DEPUTY FOREIGN SECRETARY JASKA PETRIC;  
FOREIGN TRADE SECRETARY MOHAMED HADJIC AND A FOUR- HOUR MEETING  
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VRATUSA IN WHICH KEY OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR TRADE AND FINANCIAL POLICY MATTERS PARTICIPATED. VRATUSA ALSO HOSTED LUNCHEON IN EBERLE'S HONOR WITH CABINET MEMBER BORIS SNUDERL AND OTHER HIGH YUGOSLAV OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE. AMBASSADOR TOON'S LUNCHEON IN EBERLE'S HONOR ALSO WELL ATTENDED BY TOP YUGOSLAV POLICY OFFICIALS.

3. SUBSTANCE OF EBERLE'S TALKS COVERED WIDE RANGE OF ECONOMIC POLICY MATTERS INCLUDING FORTHCOMING MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, REVIEW OF U. S. AND YUGOSLAV ECONOMIC TRENDS IN CONTEXT OF WORLD ECONOMY, AND U. S./ YUGOSLAV BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

4. THROUGHOUT DISCUSSIONS VRATUSA STRESSED THE " CRISIS OF CONFIDENCE" BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THE NEED FOR PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT TO LDC'S IN TRADE, MONETARY AND AID MATTERS. ACCORDING TO VRATUSA, LDC'S FEEL THEY ARE BEING NEGLECTED MORE THAN EVER BY DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. VRATUSA EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF CREATING A BETTER POLITICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL ATMOSPHERE FOR A CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

5. EBERLE NOTED THE IMPORTANCE OF LDC'S TONING DOWN THE POLITICAL RHETORIC IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES; HE STRESSED THAT SOME SPECIFIC TRADE ISSUES SHOULD BE IDENTIFIED AND SOLVED AS A MEANS OF RESTORING LDC CONFIDENCE IN THE WILL OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO ASSIST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WITH TRADE, AID, AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS. VRATUSA AGREED THAT LDC POLITICAL MONOLOGUE HAD BEEN A PROBLEM AND THAT THE U. S. AND GOY SHOULD HAVE REGULAR CONSULTATIONS TO IDENTIFY SPECIFIC MULTILATERAL TRADE ISSUES FOR JOINT AND PARALLEL GOY- US ACTION. VRATUSA POINTED OUT THAT SUCH US/ GOY DIALOGUE ON TRADE POLICY MATTERS SHOULD BE AT ALL LEVELS AND USING DIFFERENT CHANNELS. EBERLE STATED U. S. WOULD PROVIDE THE YUGOSLAVS WITH SOME SPECIFIC MULTILATERAL TRADE POLICY ISSUES FOR POSSIBLE JOINT OR PARALLEL US/ GOY INITIATIVES.

6. COMMENT: EMBASSY BELIEVES EBERLE'S CONSULTATION WAS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL AND THAT A CONTINUING DIALOGUE WITH THE GOY ON

TRADE POLICY MATTERS WILL MAKE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO ACHIEVING U. S. TRADE POLICY OBJECTIVES WHILE AT THE SAME TIME SERVING U. S. BASIC POLICY OF STRENGTHENING YUGOSLAV ECONOMIC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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VIABILITY AND ITS TIES WITH THE WEST. EBERLE VISIT RECEIVED FULL PRESS AND TV COVERAGE. MEMCONS BEING POUCHED. TOON

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